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The Greenwich Arts Council presents

FRANK SMURLO: LANDSCAPES  
At The Bendheim Gallery

DAVID WEBBER: ANIMALS  
At The Director's Gallery

January 8 through January 31

During the month of January the Greenwich Arts Council will host two interesting and diverse artists.

Frank Smurlo's landscape paintings in The Bendheim Gallery evoke his love of nature. Basically self-taught, he has developed an accomplished technique which displays the many moods of the outdoors. Much of his subject matter is drawn from his experience of the Hamptons on Long Island where he spends every summer. The paintings engage the viewer in a studied meditation on light and shadow while displaying a highly distinctive sense of place. They invite a "walk" into the picture's space, where people do not appear, thereby allowing the depicted landscapes to take center stage. Time literally stands still as nature asserts its inherent beauty.

David Webber's photographs in the Director's Gallery show animals in parks and wildlife sanctuaries. Many stare forthrightly at the viewer becoming "up-front and personal". Frequently cropped and advanced into the foreground of the picture space, the photos are intimate portraits of their subjects. The animals are poised with their strength held at bay by the photographer who simply implies their ferocity.

Both artists will show at the Greenwich Arts Council from January 8 through January 31. There will be a public reception for the artists on Thursday, January 8, from 6 to 8 pm.

For more information about exhibitions or other programs and events of the Greenwich Arts Council, 299 Greenwich Avenue, Greenwich CT 06830, please call 203-862-6750, or log on to [www.greenwicharts.org](http://www.greenwicharts.org).

(captions: Frank Smurlo, "Down the Garden Path", oil on canvas; David Webber, "Cheetah", color photograph)